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**SUMMARY of  
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**SELECT NATURAL RESOURCE FUNDING COMMITTEE**

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**COMMITTEE MEETING INFORMATION**

March 08, 2018  
8:00 AM  
Room L51, Jonah Business Center  
3001 E. Pershing Blvd.  
Cheyenne, Wyoming  
Updated: March 06, 2018

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Senator Brian Boner, Co-chairman  
Senator Jerry Paxton, Co-chairman  
Senator Leland Christensen  
Senator Bill Landen  
Senator Lloyd Larsen  
Senator John Freeman

**OTHER LEGISLATORS PRESENT**

Senator Fred Emerich

**OTHERS PRESENT AT MEETING**

Bob Budd, Director, Wyoming Wildlife and Natural Resource Trust  
Richard Garrett, The Nature Conservancy  
Holly Kennedy, Farm Bureau

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE OFFICE STAFF**

Brian Fuller

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Committee met for one day during session in Cheyenne. The Committee discussed potential interim topics for the 2018 Interim and received a brief update regarding the efforts of the Wyoming Wildlife and Natural Resource Trust Board.

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## CALL TO ORDER ([TYPE MEETING DATE IF MORE THAN ONE DAY IN DURATION] )

Co-Chairman Boner called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m. The following sections summarize the Committee proceedings by topic. Please refer to **Appendix 1** to review the Meeting Agenda.

## DISCUSSION OF INTERIM TOPICS

The Committee discussed potential topics for the 2018 Interim. Committee members expressed interest in conducting site visits to proposed and completed projects funded in part by the Wyoming Wildlife and Natural Resource Trust. Members also discussed having further interaction with the Trust Board members as well as reviewing both the trust account and income account to optimize earnings and grow the corpus of the trust.

Bob Budd, Executive Director, Wyoming Wildlife and Natural Resource Trust, expressed support for site visits and offered to work with the Committee to coordinate those visits. Director Budd also asked the Committee to consider repealing statutes associated with projects already completed. The Committee directed LSO to work with Director Budd to identify statutes for repeal in next year's large-project bill. Director Budd also offered to provide the Committee additional information regarding conservation easements that the Trust recommends as projects.

Senator Fred Emerich encouraged the Committee to work to expand its work while focusing narrowly on matters concerning the Trust.

Richard Garrett, The Nature Conservancy, expressed his appreciation for the Committee's work and expressed support for building the trust account and spreading news about the Trust's work.

Director Budd provided a brief update on the Trust's work, including the number of applications received this year. He noted that the Board had produced a video about its work that he would provide to Committee members.

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## MEETING ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Co-Chairman Boner adjourned the meeting at 9:13 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Brian Boner, Co-Chairman

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